

EAVESDROPPING
EXEMPTION: The telephone of
Defense Department employees
are subject to eavesdropping at
any time. The Civilian and
military employees can only grit
their teeth and swear: They must
accept the snooping as a
condition of employment. But
recently, Brig. Gen. F.H.
Cutrona, the Pentagon
information director, announced
in a memo that 42 of the
thousands of Pentagon phones
would be "exempt" from
surveillance. These are the
phones of reporters in the
Department of Defense press
room. Now that reporters have
been assured their phones are
tap-free, they expect a flood of
officers asking to use them to
make personal calls.

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